

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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JESUS THE SAME YESTERDAY TO-DAY AND FOREVER

Ye Are The Light Of The World

There is victory in our souls this morning and a determination to let our light shine; to keep it trimmed and burning as never before. We do not want to try to make it shine but just "let" it shine. Shouting and talking in tongues is fine. We do enjoy it, but that is not all there is to letting our light shine. When we imitate Christ we are letting our light shine. Whether we are visiting and praying with the sick or alone in prayer, returning good for evil, and pointing sinners to Christ. In prayer and meditation last night, I said, Lord show me what to do and how I can do some thing more for you and be a more efficient worker this year. In a dream I was administering to the sick and cleansing cooking utensils and caring for the young, going up hills and helping others as I went in meetings. I understand it to be the answer, for the sick in body as well as the sinner in soul. Don't scold and drive them away, but tenderly lead them and feed them until they are rescued from the dangers of icebergs and wolves in sheep's clothing (false prophets). They are on every hand, for antichrist is showing up more and more. He claims to be the real thing in works, but lacks the spiritual power accompanying God's elect. And it takes a close sight to discern the right from the wrong spirit in the world. When we look around and see our Church of God members, who were once such bright lights, yoking up with the world in things pertaining to this life only and neglecting their own salvation; getting dry in testimony and neglecting the gift that was in their care, oh I feel like Jeremiah the prophet when he said "O that my head were a fountain of tears that I might weep day and night for my people, Israel." (The Church of God). The precious blood-bought Church that is to stand alone in the last days, alone for the Bible truth. No compromising and going back into those things we came out of. The beast spoken of in Revelation and Daniel, seems to be getting hold of so many. This beast of greed and selfishness. "I want just what is mine," says some, and their hearts are on their riches. It may not seem to appear to others as I see this, but listen saints the beastly nature is carnality gone to seed and bringing forth fruits of the flesh. The beast is not a thing with horns to frighten one, but is peaceably like a lamb, innocent looking, hard to see any harm in. The paws of a bear are cushioned, he is coming in unheeded. With spots of a leopard, that will include all colors or different races or nations, and teeth like a lion. What stronger among beasts than a lion? So is organized associations of different kinds. When bodies of people unite and obligates not to buy nor sell their products, they become lion-like, and when these associations are passed upon in both houses of Congress and signed by the president, then they become strong as a lion. Take for instance the cotton association. Should it pass, as I understand they are working after, go thru both houses and signed by the president, then the dragon gives the beast power to do these things. Now all deep Bible scholars know who the beast that had the wound and did live means, and in the next few years, or less time, things will come to pass. Let those who read understand, or if any man hath an ear let him hear. Rev. 13:9. Our ruler or president must change, and saints this is the year for him to be elected. Will 1928 usher in the beast of Rev. 13? Here is something for all of Rev. 13 to think about now. If we don't let our light shine and hold up the standard of holiness we will fail to see these things, they look so innocent and harmless. Oh dear ones let's go softly before Him. He will take us through and keep us clear of things. He said "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world." St. John 17:16. Brother if your light is shining, it reveals things ahead as well as things around you. The Scripture must be fulfilled. Can you

THE SILENT PREACHER

WITHERS, Ky.—I feel like praising the dear Lord this morning for what He is to me. All praise and honor be to His matchless name! He has just healed me of a bad spell of sickness, for which I give Him all the praise. This is my first testimony to the little preacher—Evangel, and am glad for this opportunity. The Evangel brings so many good heart stirring messages each week to our home. Wife and I are sending in our one dollar each to help pay off the debt. We heartily endorse the plan arranged at headquarters at the Assembly. We know that every loyal member will respond to this noble Cause.

If any real Church of God preacher is ever passing thru this part, stop at Livingston, Ky. and inquire for us. We have built a new church and are just waiting for the Lord to send a real preacher this way. Everyone who reads this pray for us and for this place. Pray a special prayer that I may receive the Holy Ghost. Yours for truth and right.—Frank Richards.

Loves Jesus And His Church

ROSWELL, Ga.—I feel impressed to write a few lines to the dear little paper that I love so well. I know I cannot say much, but by the grace of God I can do what the Lord would have me do. I love Jesus and His Church better than anything in this world. My health is not good, but I know that Jesus can heal, for He has healed my body many times, for which I praise Him. I ask everyone who knows the worth of prayer to pray for my healing if it is His will. Also pray that I may know the Lord's will concerning me. I want to be more humble.—Mrs. Nettie Massey.

REVIVAL FIRE STILL BURNING

AUGUSTA, Ga.—I want to give report of our District Convention and revival which started on Thursday night before Easter Sunday. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way from start to finish. Our State Overseer, Brother J. W. Culpepper was with us till the 3d Sunday night. His messages were wonderful and the saints were wonderfully built up. We had shouting, dancing under the mighty power of the Lord and the piano was played under the power. Well, we just can't find words to express what we saw and felt thruout the meeting. Brother Culpepper had to leave us on Monday after the 3d Sunday, but he left a warm place in the hearts of the people here that will welcome him back any time. The meeting continued on till the 4th Sunday night. Several were saved and one or two sanctified, one received the Holy Ghost one night about twelve o'clock and she is still happy. At the close of the meeting, four were added to the church and more to come in later. The revival spirit is still with us and we are still pressing on. Pray for us.—W. A. Sullivan, pastor.

God Is My Family Physician

JACKSON, Mich.—Tonight still finds me with victory in my soul, having served the Lord for the last four years, and the Comforter still abides, for which I praise the Lord. God is my family physician. Last night the Lord wonderfully touched and healed wife's body of grippe and a high fever, by the prayer of faith and laying on of hands. O, it is wonderful to trust the Lord for everything. Pray for me.—H. L. Whitney.

see it? Somewhere close about is the Rapture. "Oh be ready," should be the heart cry of all God's children, for in such an hour as you think not the son of man cometh. What I say unto you I say unto all. Watch. Matt. 13:37. Yours in His name.—Ida McCoy.

LOVE TO THOSE WHO ARE SHUT IN

Many Sufferers Need Someone to Love Them

F. J. Lee, General Overseer

Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right? Destruction had been decreed upon Sodom. Abraham remembered that his nephew, Lot, was dwelling in that great and wicked city, also he believed that there were many other righteous people dwelling there. He could not bear the idea of them going down or suffering with the wicked of that city, so he began to plead for them. Suddenly it seemed to dawn upon his mind how that God had dealt with him in the past, he had not forgotten that God is just and righteous, so he exclaimed, will not the Judge of all the earth do right?

Many times we are not able to see where there is any justice in our suffering or our reverses in financial affairs, and it may be that sometimes we become almost puffed at the Lord for His permitting such serious trials to come upon us.

Only yesterday we visited a precious old saint of God who has been sick for two years or more. She said, "Sometimes it seems hard to suffer so long, it almost seems as though the saint of God has to suffer more than the sinner." While this had only come to her mind she was not complaining. We talked to her a few minutes and called her attention to what Abraham had said, then we had prayer with her, she rejoiced that her suffering had drawn her away from the world and had polished and brightened her and has her now ready and waiting for the summons to come up higher.

We also visited a younger woman only the day before. She too was wondering why the Lord was permitting Satan to harass and torment her. We could plainly see that her affliction was working great things for her. She is more mellow in spirit. She is gentle, loving and kind. Like Paul it is working for her a far more eternal weight of glory.

Severe Trials Often Saves Spiritual Life

God knows what is best for us at all times. I will give a beautiful little story that illustrates this very nicely.

Several years ago there was an earthquake in Japan near the coast, and an old man who had been through earthquakes looked toward the sea and saw a wave 30 or 40 feet high rise up, in the air and recede from the land. He ran out of the village to a high ground where the rice shocks were and set them afire. When the people saw the fields burning they rushed out, and when some one accused him of being the incendiary, they were about to stone him, for the rice fields were their food, but he said "Look" and as they looked back toward the village they saw it submerged by the waves. If the people

had not come out to see the rice fields burn, they would have been drowned. The man then was the hero of the town. God sometimes has to attract our attention by treating us severely, burning some things in our own lives in order to save us from danger, to be severe in order to be gentle, and when we see His purpose in it we love Him all the better for it.—Sunday School Times.

Dear suffering saints let us remember that God is our heavenly Father and that He loves us more than we could possibly love our children. What parent would not sympathize with a fever stricken child? Listen to David as he exclaims, "Like a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him."

Mary and Martha were broken-hearted because Lazarus lay dead. Their friend, their protector was gone. It was seemingly more than they could bear, but Jesus came and wept with them. His presence helped them to bear their burden. O if it were not for the presence of Jesus what would we do when floods of great waters (trials) seem to almost overwhelm us?

Look To The Day Star

"Eagles tear their eyries to pieces and push their young eaglets over the edge of the precipice that they may learn to fly."

God wants us to soar high in our Christian experience. Sometimes it is said, "I have trials upon trials, it just seems as though my journey is continual darkness." Brother, sister, listen, the stars never shine until it is dark enough.

I have heard that one may get into a dark well and look toward the skies and there see the stars, even at mid-day.

Dear shut-in, you may have been closed in for many months or years, you perhaps have felt very much discouraged at times, but let me admonish you to look up, you can see bright stars at mid-day. Jesus is referred to as the Day Star. Let Him shine upon you. He will bring to you sweet peace and rest that passeth understanding. Some of us may never see so much of the Day Star until we are thrown into some dark places.

Dear ones take your trial, if trial it is, only a day at a time. We never know how much we can bear until we have gone through it. Never climb the mountain until you come to it.

"There is a saying old and rusty, (But as good as any new): 'Tis—'Never trouble trouble, Till trouble troubles you.'"

If care you've got to carry, Wait till 'tis at the door, For he who runs to meet it Takes up the load before."

Students In N. Dak. Working For God

REE, N. Dak.—Dear Bible students and Evangel readers greetings in the name of Jesus. I was rather disappointed when I failed to read any reports from the students in the Evangel.

We North Dakota students are back and have thought about the Bible School. We are working and doing our little part in God's great cause, using what we have learned for His glory. The Ree church has three students, Brother Arthur Keller, Brother Reinhold Klautt and myself. Sunday we had a student from Hebron, Sister Tiedman. We had a good time in the Lord; made us think of Cleveland.

Brother Carl Milligan is our pastor at present and Brother Klautt assists him. Brother Klautt has also done some preaching at Nishu, N. Dak. Both of these students work on the farm where they have to plow over four hundred acres or close to that amount.

Brother Paul Walker, our State Overseer, was here and held a conference, organized a Sunday School and attended to other business affairs. Brother Arthur Keller is superintendent of the Sunday School. I try to fill my place by playing, singing and praying. I have been appointed clerk and Treas. of the Sunday School, and try to teach a class. This

GETTING READY

Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

I am going to leave you soon, My friends I'll bid adieu; But with the joy I know so well, May it comfort all of you.

No reason for to say farewell, As to my home I go, For every promise is unto you And that you all may know.

I would that I could take with me, The ones that need my care, But there will be no care at all With Jesus over there.

When parting days to us shall come, Now do not think it sad, But lift your heart unto the Lord And He will make you glad.

A crown of stars may be your lot If faithful you have been, But go the way He leads your feet, Then jewels you may win.

is the report from the students at this place, so please pray for us and for the church here. The Lord willing, we expect to go and help where we can in revivals, and we need your prayers, that God may have His way. May God bless you.—Lillian L. Sol-dier.

WAY GROWS BRIGHTER

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—I truly praise God for what He has done for me. He saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost one year ago and the way grows brighter each day.

I thank God for healing my body so many times. The 13th of February I fell head foremost down a flight of stairs. My head struck a brick pillar when I reached the bottom. But God wonderfully healed me of all bruises.

I have been reading the Evangel for over a year. Many times I have been healed by laying the Evangel on my body. I long for a true Church of God in Providence. Pray for us.—Mrs. A. Digs, 492 Wayland Ave.

FILL YOUR OWN PLACE

As the old year has gone by and the new year is on its way, are we saints going to still slumber along? We can't afford to sleep so sound when many, so many are going down. Wake up dear saints, draw nigh to God; take courage in your soul; walk the path Jesus trod. We can't afford to sit so still and see so many going to hell. O there are so many who start in the way and for some cause they will delay. It will not do to give up. Draw nigh to God, He will fill your cup. Walk in the light, so says our God, lest darkness come upon you. Work in my vineyard, the harvest is ripe but the laborers are few. I am calling my children for a closer walk in my pasture so green and wide, where the streams of water flow so sweetly and your soul is never dry.

O God in Heaven, this morning I pray, let all your saints keep true and work. From this hour dear saints, never from your duty shirk.—Effie Reeves, Thorn, Miss.

A Great Consolation To Be Saved

PELHAM, Ga.—I want to praise the Lord for what He is to me. I truly thank Him for salvation and for the consolation of gaining Heaven as my home some day. If we lose our soul and miss Heaven, we have missed all. I enjoy my salvation and really thank the Lord because I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, and have never had any thought of turning back. We find in His Word that He tells us to draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh unto us. I am glad I ever learned to trust the Lord with both soul and body. When I get sick, I kneel down on my knees and pray until the Lord heals me. He heals our bodies without any medicine or doctor. We find in His Word where He told us if there were any sick among us to call for the elders of the church and pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith should save the sick.

I know I can never thank Him enough for what He has done for me. I love the Lord above all things. I promised the Lord if He would heal a sister's little girl that I would write to the Evangel and testify of it, and I always want to be true to my word and do the Lord's will. His highway of holiness just suits me. I ask every one of the saints who read this to pray for me that I may stand true and do the Lord's will and finally make Heaven my home. Your sister in Christ.—Miss Eva May White.

WANTED

A good musician to travel with me in tent meetings this summer. Must be able to lead singing. Write me about terms.—Boyd Hart, Pennington Gap, Va.

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JESUS OUR PATTERN

Mrs. Bessie Thomas Perry, Fla.

"For even hereunto were ye called; because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps. Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth." 1 Pet. 2:21, 22.

In cutting by a pattern, care must be taken to use the same pattern for marking or cutting all the rest. Cutting one and using it for a pattern for the next and so on would make considerable difference between the first and last one. Do you remember the old fashioned copy books with their beautiful designed words at the top of each page? We children were supposed to fill the page with carefully written imitations of the copy at the top. You remember how we worked at the first one, then as we went on down the page, we kept looking at our last attempts, until the last words of the page did not look much like the original copy. Other copy books had a movable copy, so that it could be slipped down just above the writing line, then the original copy was in view each time, then our words at the bottom looked more like the original copy, because we used the same one for a copy each time. How true this principle is when applied to our moral and spiritual lives. The moment we get our eyes off Jesus and begin to follow someone else, we immediately get mixed with sin and imperfections. It is safe only to follow the One Perfect Pattern, Jesus. Some may follow the Pattern all right for a while, but gradually on down the line, get their eyes off Jesus and are consumed by their own lusts.

The life we are living when Jesus comes or calls is what will count. When God told Moses to build the tabernacle, He said, "Be sure thou build according to the pattern, shown thee in the mount." There is only one perfect pattern by which to shape our lives—the name that is above every other name, "Jesus."

Jesus went about doing good, and left us many examples to follow. He that saith he abideth in Him ought himself also to walk even as He walked. Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth. Friends it means something to follow Jesus. It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God. Jesus spent His life going about doing good, which was His mission on earth. He was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Therefore He knows how to succor those who are tempted. He left us an example by overcoming every temptation and coming out victorious.

For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh. God in Christ condemned sin, not by pronouncing against it merely as a judge, sitting on the judgment seat, but by coming and living in the flesh, in the likeness of sinful flesh and yet without sinning. In Christ, He demonstrated that it is possible by His grace and power to resist temptation, overcome sin, and live a sinless life. Jesus said, "I can of my own self do nothing." The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself; but the father that dwelleth in me He doeth the works." Through him, every one may have God dwelling in him and working in him to will and to do of his good pleasure. Jesus did not come down from heaven to do His own will, but the will of the Father who sent Him. He was obedient to the Father. So obedience is what it will take to carry us through. Obedience is better than sacrifice.

To follow Jesus, we must walk in the light by obeying the Bible. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. 1 John 1:7. Jesus left us an example of an obedient, prayerful life. Jesus said, "Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me, nevertheless not my will, but thine be done. So should we, when we pray, submit ourselves into God's hands for His will to be

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Editorials

"TELL JESUS"

Tell Jesus when the burdens seem
Too great for you to bear;
Go lay it at the feet of Christ,
And know that He will care;
And tell Him all the little things
That come to cloud your way,
The puzzles and perplexities
That trouble you today.

Tell Jesus all there is to tell—
About your daily needs;
About the dim uncertainties
Through which your pathway leads;
About the cherished hopes that lie
Crushed lifeless at your feet,
The golden dreams left unfulfilled—
The labor incomplete.

If you could know how tenderly
He makes our cares His own,
You would not stand apart again
And bear the pain alone;
You would not miss the joy and peace
Of walking at His side,
Of finding tempest changed for calm,
And sorrow sanctified.

I tell Him all the story now—
No other friend can be—
In morning light or evening shade—
What Jesus is to me;
His human heart is still the same
Today as yesterday,
And in His love I find my rest,
And in His strength my stay.—Sel.

Brother T. S. Payne, wife and children are visiting Sister Payne's sick father in McMinnville, Tenn., for a few days.

Our General Secretary and Treasurer, E. J. Boehmer, filled the pulpit at Etowah, Tenn., Sunday, May 13th.

J. R. Dodson of this place left Thursday night for Nashville, Tenn., after having received a message of the death of his uncle. He returned Sunday.

W. S. Jackson and J. R. Dodson will soon be off for a trip in the evangelistic work. They will carry a line of Bibles and religious literature.

The South Cleveland revival is still in progress. Our State Overseer returned for the Saturday night and Sunday services. His family is convalescing.

There are three days in a man's life that are so important, so far reaching in their influence and have so much to do with the making of character and destiny, that if these three days can be made right, all the days of life will be right. These three greatest days in a man's life are yesterday, today and tomorrow. I believe in Christianity because by it a man can solve the problems of these three days. Christianity gives pardon for the sins of yesterday, peace to the troubled spirit today and power to resist temptation, fight the battle and carry the burden of tomorrow.

CHRISTIANITY IS MORE THAN CREED, IT IS LIFE

Fellowship with Christianity is more than a creed. It is a life; it is more than imitating the example of a perfect man. It is Christ Jesus the God man, living in us and expressing His love, His thoughts, His words, His deeds in our thoughts, words and deeds. If for no other reason I would be a Christian because it makes possible this union and fellowship with the Son of God. We are told that a man becomes like his associates and it is certainly true that he is greatly helped or hindered by them. Let us therefore keep company with Jesus that we may be one more and more like Him, and have the help and friendship of Jesus Fellowship divine. O blessed, sweet consolation, Jesus is a friend of mine! I am a Christian because it is right to be a Christian and the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ makes me right. It can make a man who is conscientiously wrong and unhappy, conscientiously right, superior and happy for ever more.

The purifying power of Christianity in the home is one of the greatest reasons for being a Christian. It is a well established

Derailed Intentions or Hindering The Gospel

We are told in the Word that it generally is Satan who hinders God's cause or God's children when they really want to do a work for the Master that will bring glory to His name. To derail means to throw off the track and to prevent from making progress along some given or established route or road.

It seems to me then that it would only be perfectly natural that Satan would want to throw off the track any or all of God's children who were making real progress along the road that leads from earth to Heaven and Immortal Glory.

I remember how badly I wanted to attend the Assembly last Fall, as it was my first one since I came into the Church of God, and how Satan did seem to hinder at all points. At first I was told that I could be spared from my job and then as the date came near to hand I was told that I could not go away. I took the matter earnestly to God in prayer and day or so before we had planned to start South a man came back to work who had been off sick and I was again told to go ahead to the "Big Meeting." It certainly made me feel good for all the time I was expecting my God to open the way. I felt that the Assembly would be a blessing to my soul and make me stronger, which it did. I can truly say that I was encouraged to press on and to thank God for the way He was working in the midst of His people.

I certainly do approve of the one dollar plan to pay the Church out of debt and certainly hope that Satan will not be able to hinder or derail any intention on the part of any child of God to do all they can to help carry the Gospel of Christ to a dying world.

We may all be well and happy today and our children become orphans tomorrow. Then, let us not be slack in doing our bit for the precious ones whom God has provided a home in the Church of God Orphanage. God will reward each one, even though his bit be but a mite.

Malachi warns us against robbing God in our tithes and offerings which belong to Him, but there are more ways than one in which we may carelessly rob God of what justly belongs to Him. The untithed praise of our lips are His and He expects us to render the same gladly and when occasion presents itself. In Jno. 12:32 Jesus said that if He be lifted up He would draw all men unto Him. Notice the word "draw". He did not say "drive". A true, wholehearted service of love will draw men to Christ. Sincerely, your brother in Christ.—J. C. Vore.

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fact that no city, no state and no nation can be purer than its home and no home can be absolutely pure and uplifting in influence without having Christ as its guide. The son and the daughter may be held by love and respect for the parents for a brief season, but unless the parents instill into their minds and hearts love and respect for God as manifested in Jesus Christ, the son and the daughter are in danger of slipping from truth and purity and into the world. Every man and every woman should become a real true blood-washed Christian, if for no other reason in the world, for the protection of their children and to safeguard them in future life. I have been made sad quite often in passing around, hearing fathers use words unbecoming to a Christian in the presence of their children and of course these boys' lives are being shaped and these temptations will have an effect on them. It will be hard for them to overcome. When I was a small boy, I fell in love with my uncle who was a wicked man. He was sheriff of a certain county, but desperately wicked. My mother and father were young and didn't think about what it would mean for my uncle to teach me to swear when I was just a little tot. That was the hardest sin for me to overcome. That became almost second nature and every time I would be provoked, I would swear, but the Lord finally delivered me.

Mothers should be an example to their children. I have known of them talking about their neighbors around the family fireside until those precious little children would have a hatred in their heart for some of their neighbors, a dislike for their neighbors and their children, that possibly they would never get over. So we should be very careful in training our children, and never engage in conversation in their presence, that would be detrimental to their future life.

Please remember us with your job work for this is a slack season just now. If we can get by with plenty of work to do for the next sixty days, the coming Assembly with all its work will keep us busy for the rest of the year. We would be glad for those who contemplate selling fans this summer, to give us your order. I have a list of prices from different houses that make fans and we are making them from \$5.00 to \$10.00 cheaper on the thousand and they offer to make them in wholesale lots. I have been insisting on some of our people telling us what they could get work done for at other printing houses, and in only one instance have I found out that their prices were cheaper than ours, and that was where they were making letterheads by the ten and twenty thousand. I asked an agent of one of the largest Bible houses in America, a few days ago, to tell me how they could give 50 per cent to their agents. He told me that they had three catalogs: one for jobbers and merchants, one for colporteurs, and one for special agents. If that be true, and I believe it is, we are certainly giving the best prices on our goods that could be had. We would appreciate it if all of our people at the book stands at the camp meetings would give our goods a place there. We will mail you special agents' prices.

NOT ASHAMED OF JESUS

BAGDAD, Fla.—I feel led to testify through the Evangel. I want the people everywhere to know which side I am on. I am not ashamed of Jesus who died for me that I might have everlasting life. I have not testified in some time, but it was not because I was ashamed for people to know I was living for Jesus, and not because I had gone back into sin, for I have no desire to do anything that would be against the Lord's will. Instead of being ashamed, it is an honor to live for Him. I thank the Lord for saving me and giving me the desire to do that which is right, and by His help I shall never turn back in sin. I do not see any interesting things that I would give up my Savior for.

The girls and women who have their hair bobbed and who paint and powder so much, look pretty good on the outside, but what about the inside? I could not dress like that and live right, and no one else that lives for Jesus will not want to do like that. I am glad that He showed me which was the right way, and if people would go by the leading of the Spirit of God they would leave off lots of things that it seems like in their own minds are right. I know that when I start to do or say one thing that is wrong, something tells me within that I should not. And I believe that if people would heed the Spirit as it warns people in their hearts which things to do and say that there would not be so many grow cold and backslide. For He has given us knowledge to know good from evil and as Adam and Eve, if we do not do what He tells us, we will have to be punished. Then, let us who really know Him, keep His commandments and walk in the straight and narrow way, that some day we will be glad from our hearts that we did so, instead of living here in sin and disobeying God and doing things that were not pleasing to Him. The devil has tried me several times by tempting me in many ways, but what is best, I do, is to get the Bible down and read it and pray too, asking God to help me to overcome and He does. Any time when anyone gets mad or worried over the temptations of the devil and their temper is too high, if they would just think of themselves and their condition they would know that Jesus has all power and is able and will give peace to His people and help them to overcome the devil in every way, and if God be for us, who can be against us? I mean by His grace and help to stand true to Him. All the saints pray for me. I want to be ready to meet Jesus when He comes, and it will surely mean much to be ready for when He comes. He will not tarry, and the ones who are left will be in an awful condition. Let us be ready at any time. I do not want to do nor say anything that I would not want to be doing or saying when He comes, but be doing and saying what He said for us.—Mrs. Tonie Bundrick.

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There Is a Right Way And a Wrong Way

JOPLIN, Mo.—There are many paths in this world of sin, but there is only one we should travel in, so for us to know which one to travel, let us first find out what the Word of God says about a way that might seem right to us, and the Way of life, that is right. Turn to Prov. 14:12. There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death. So we find by this Scripture that there is danger of getting in a way (or being in a way) that would seem right unto us, but the end of that way is death. But the Way of Life, Jesus marked out, putting signals and signboards all along the way, so if we watch for the signboards we shall not lose the way. We need to search and ask and find the good way, and then walk therein. For everyone that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Matt. 7:8. There are many ways of today, but there is only one that leads from earth to glory. Some people say that the world is more religious today than it ever was before. Yes, that might be true, for there are more people today claiming to be church members and reading the Bible than there ever was, but church members and Bible readers are not always Christians, neither is religion real salvation. You can worship an idol and have religion, and we know that we cannot do that and get to Heaven. The definition of the word "religion" is—any system of faith or worship, while the word "salvation" means a real forgiveness of sins or spiritual deliverance from sin and death, but there is a pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father. So all the forms of doctrine and religions are not the pure and undefiled kind.

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Men Ought Always To Pray

COVINGTON, La.—For some time I have been wanting to write to the Evangel, but have just been putting it off from time to time. This morning I am writing with my heart full of love and gratitude to God for the many blessings He has bestowed upon me all thru my past life.

I praise Him for salvation and for His keeping power. In 2 Thes. 3:3 reads, "The Lord is faithful who shall establish you and keep you from evil." I praise Him for keeping me from the evil of the world.

Brother Dunn, our State Overseer was with us the first of the month. He preached at Shepherd's Fold on Sunday after Sunday School, taking his text from Luke 18:1, that "men ought always to pray and not to faint." We surely did enjoy his sermon, it was real food to our souls. All seemed to be melted to tears. We think Brother Dunn is a good, humble man. We have been without a pastor for a while, but have Brother Gay with us now. We all surely do appreciate him and his wife. Brother Gay has been doing some good preaching and is doing all he can to build up the Church.

I want to praise God for His healing power. Our daughter had one side of her face paralyzed and had no use of it. We kept holding on to the Lord and He is healing her, for which we give God all the praise. We want every one who reads this to pray that the Lord will completely heal her and that she will be more spiritual, and pray for all our young people at this place, that they may be more earnest and more deeply concerned about their souls' salvation. We are praying for God to give us a great out-

Burdened Concern- ing Church Debt

OLD LANDING, Ky.—I am thanking the dear Lord this morning for the way of holiness, for it is the only way. It is the way that elevates a man above sin. Thank the Lord! I have spent some wonderful hours in the Lord laughing and crying, and hollering as loud as I could. O it is wonderful to laugh and cry in the Lord. Man cannot express it in words. The last real joy I had with the Lord was about four or five months ago. I went to the altar and the Lord started blessing. You have heard the expression that we were "Holy Rollers." They would have called me a roller that night for the Lord rolled me in the floor, and the house was crowded with people. This was about 8:30 at night service. After I arose from the altar and found out that it was then 12:25 and that most everyone had left sure enough, I was certainly surprised. So I spent about four hours in the floor seeking the Holy Ghost and it didn't seem longer than fifteen minutes to me. This was when I was trying to live the life and was doing all that I could for the Lord, so I want to say right here that it takes our best. If you lay down on your job the devil will get in. He has certainly headed me off to a great extent. I used to be clerk at this place, but threw up my job and quit going to church and Sunday School, but I desire every one to pray that I may again have the interest that I once had for the work at this place. I have shed many tears crying for this place. About this time last year I sent a request through the Evangel for the prayers of the people that we might have a building at this place in which to worship. The Lord has answered that prayer and we now have a building and it deeded to the Church of God, and we only owe \$47.89.

As stated above, I have not been attending my home church, and I do not know what they are saying about the one dollar drive, so I awoke the other night and this was on my mind, so I lay awake for about two hours and could not go back to sleep, I was under such a burden concerning the debt we as the Church owe. The thought came to me that it makes no difference how far down I may be, I want my wife and I to put in our one dollar each. There are only 13 members here, but if the rest do not send in theirs, making it \$13.00, I intend to write a check for two dollars and send in anyway.—Leonard Spicer.

Selected Sayings

By Roy E. Blackwood.
Just as soon as a man loses his religion he adopts a program of political or social reforms as a substitute therefor.

If preachers would stop preaching prohibition, and get a man regenerated we would have real prohibition. Acts are simply thoughts put into practice.

No man ever sinned that didn't first think of sin.

A man first backslides in his thinking, the wrong kind of pictures are thrown on the screen of his thinking vision.

I know what you have been thinking when I see you act.

What you do, speaks so loud I cannot hear what you say.

If a man hadn't unrighteous thoughts he would never have a wicked way.

Don't get on the devil's territory and tempt the devil to tempt you.

What you are today will have affect on your life tomorrow.

When are you going to stop and give God a chance?

Have you ever thought of coming to the other end of life and finding God gone, opportunity gone and the Holy Ghost gone?

Perhaps there would be more power in our prayers if there was more cheer in our giving.

There are many husbands who belong to the church, whose wives never suspect that they have religion.

One reason why people backslide is because there are so many of the Lord's sheep that have been raised on goats milk.

It is better to suffer than to sin.

If all who rob God were immediately locked up, some churches would have to hold their prayer meetings in jail.

The shortest cut to the masses is to get all the sinners in the church converted.

If your father was a muskrat, and your mother an opossum and your great aunt a kangaroo and the toads and snapping turtles were your illustrious predecessors, my father is God.

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pouring of the Holy Spirit. I believe He will do it, so please pray for us.—Mrs. F. M. Fitzgerald.

NOTICES

WANTED—A good musician to travel with me in tent meetings this summer. Must be able to lead singing. Write me about terms.—Boyd Hart, Pennington Gap, Va.

We will have a Home Coming day near Swift, O., the 1st Sunday in June, which will be the 3d. We would like for every saint of God who can to come as this is a new field. We want to put in the day praying, singing, testifying, shouting and preaching or any way to glorify God. This place is about twenty-five miles west of Marietta, O., along the Muskingum river.—Pearl Moss, Rt. 3, Stockport, O.

I would like to know the whereabouts of my three daughters: Mary Dingmon, Isa Kitter, Rosie Bell Schoolcraft. I am living with their sister, Elsie. Their father being David Hutson.—By E. Taylor.

We wish to announce that there will be Home Coming Day at Springplace, Ga., on the 4th Sunday in May, which will be the 27th. All the members are expected to be present that day. We are expecting Brother S. W. Latimer and others from Cleveland to be with us on that day. Everybody is invited to come and be with us.—J. H. Nix, pastor.

The Church of God formerly named "Red Oak Grove" has been reorganized with six members, under the name of Lewis Chapel church.

Clerk, Sallie Hatfield; Treas. Richard Harvey. Address Lewis Chapel, Tenn.—David Harvey, Evangelist, Lewis Chapel, Tenn.

Striving to Enter That Beautiful City

LOUISE, Miss.—I want to say a few words by way of appreciation of my Savior and the way He has blessed me. I thank Him for His love, and He is so good to us at all times. I want to love Him more each day that I live.

He wonderfully saved, sanctified and baptized me with the precious Holy Ghost six months ago this coming Saturday night with overflowing power and the witness of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave the utterance, according to Acts 2:4. I still have that sweet joy in my soul and mean by His grace and power to ever press on until He calls me away to the great beyond where all will be peace and joy.

I also want to thank and praise the Lord for His great healing power. It is wonderful to trust God. Why should we be afraid, when He is the healer of all diseases. About a week ago I had measles and from that I took cold and sore throat, my whole mouth felt like it had been scalded, but I looked to God for I knew He could heal. We have to be submissive to His will and be determined, believing His promise to heal, before He will do the work. I at first asked the Lord to heal me, but He would not, so I said, "Lord I know you will heal me, for you heal others and God is no respecter of persons." So I began to fast and promise the Lord that I would testify thru the Evangel of it if He would heal me, then I began to get better. Still the Lord did not heal me, so I realized there was something else He wanted me to do, so I promised Him I would begin to have family prayer at night, and do whatever He wanted me to do, so I kept fasting and praying and the third day I went down to my mother's home and she and I prayed again, then the next morning I was healed completely and I give God all the praise for it.

Our baby was sick a few weeks ago, and would vomit everything he ate, but I believe the Lord healed him. My husband insisted that I give him medicine, though I give God the praise for it, because He was the one that did the work. I want more faith to trust Him thru every trial and temptation, and I need more power to overcome the devil.

I am a member of the Church of God—God's Church, which is built on the solid rock and I want to do something for Him, that I may be worthy of ever entering into that beautiful city.

The Lord wonderfully manifested His power in services last night and several little girls prayed through to God. Many others are seeking the blessing, pray for them that God will satisfy their hungry souls in the near future. Several were healed in this service. My brother was healed of a sudden attack of cramping and I was healed also of a headache.

Pray that the Lord may have His way at this place, and pray for me that I may keep traveling on and let my light shine for Jesus. Pray for my husband that he may be saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost before it is too late. Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Louise Bowen.

ON VICTORY SIDE

KILDAV, Ky.—I want to thank the Lord this morning for victory. I can say I am still on victory side; saved, sanctified and have the blessed Holy Ghost abiding in my heart, and am also a member of the Church of God. I want to thank God for a man like Elder Byrd. He came by and stopped with us a week, he surely did preach the Word, everybody enjoyed his sermons. Pray for me.—Ed Johnson, pastor.

Come Over Into Canaan Land

NAVARRO, Tex.—I thought I would write a few words by way of testimony to tell you a few of the many things the Lord is doing for us in Texas. I had the opportunity of going to two conventions. The Ft. Worth convention was wonderful. It began Saturday morning. Brother and Sister Asher had already started a meeting there and the church was on fire for God. Brother Asher surely doesn't believe in warming by the other fellow's fire, he always has the fire burning when the others begin to come in. We had services Friday night in the new church. It surely looked beautiful. The Lord blessed in the very first song, we had a grand service that night and the convention began the next morning. After prayer and song service, Sister Asher brought the welcome address. The Texas folks feel good in the Church of God anywhere, but after her talk we surely did feel at home, so we put our feet under our Father's 'able and helped ourselves. Brother Claud Asher, the Mineral Wells pastor brought the message at eleven o'clock which was wonderful for a young man. God surely is using Brother Claud. At 2:00 p. m. the writer made a short talk on the Evangel, the little paper we all love so well, also the orphanage work, followed by Brother Jack Ellis, who said some good things. When he reads his paper he puts a stamp on it and sends it to some one else. Sister Ely made a good talk on the Evangel and orphanage, after which Sister Mattie Carter brought the message on "Prayer." At the evening service Brother Asher held a testimony service and the Lord blessed in a special way. Sister F. M. Waldron brought the message, subject "Seeking the Lord," after which we had a good altar service. One girl came thru from Egypt to Canaan land. The next morning everyone seemed refreshed and was at their post. After song and prayer service, Brother F. M. Waldron, pastor at Weatherford, brought a message on "The importance of Sunday School," then Brother E. W. Williams, our State Overseer brought the 11:00 o'clock message, which was wonderful soul food for everyone present. His messages are always inspiring. We had another wonderful altar service, a woman got the Holy Ghost who had been seeking a number of years. Brother Asher took up a collection for Brother Williams, we had more shouting and dancing in that service than in any we had. The Lord certainly put His seal on it. Brother Asher said if he knew it would bring the power down like that he would have taken it up Saturday night. Somebody else might try that at their conventions and see how it works. At noon it was raining, so we were compelled to spread dinner on the inside. Those Ft. Worth people surely know how to cook and feed you.

At 2:00 o'clock we had the reports of churches, which was indeed wonderful. The Lord blessed as each of the different churches marched, a representative from each place gave a short talk of the work at that place. Brother Asher, pastor of the Ft. Worth church said he thought while he had so many together he would give them a lick about worldliness creeping in the churches, such as short dresses, jewelry etc. He says some are staying as close to the line as possible not to be turned out of the church. We had a wonderful song and prayer service led by Brother Asher and the saints all danced, shouted and praised the Lord like they were not one bit tired. Then Brother Cal Atkins brought the message, his subject was on "Conscience," which was a fine subject, also Brother Williams made some remarks on the same subject. Several received the Holy Ghost that night.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION SELECTS TEACHER

The Board of Education met the next week after the Bible School closed. They discussed several items concerning the School and its success. They investigated as to the success of the term just closed and reported it as being a success. No serious friction had arisen during the entire term. Peace and harmony seemed to prevail and the students seemed to be advancing rapidly. The students seemed to love the teachers, also the teachers loved the students.

The Board further made investigation concerning doctrine taught and found that Brother Payne's plan was to draw the students out of certain subjects, but as far as doctrine is concerned, after the Board had drawn Brother Payne out and got him to commit himself, they were thoroughly satisfied as to his doctrine and manner of teaching.

In view of the above examination the Board thought well to continue Brother Payne as principal of the School, and accordingly notified him of the same.—F. J. Lee.

The Great Home Coming Over Yonder

MAUD, Miss.—I am so glad I can report a peace in my soul just now which the world cannot disturb. As the evening shadows are falling and God's Holy Word being revealed day by day, it makes my heart rejoice to know that Jesus has brought me thus far, and by His grace I am determined to go all the way. Surely we are living in troublous days and know that prophecy is being fulfilled. If there was ever a time that we needed to keep hid away in the cleft of the rock, it is now. The dear little Evangel is such a comfort in our home. When I read its dear pages and see the names of the brethren and sisters scattered over this world it makes me long for the great home coming over yonder where we will spend the countless ages with King Jesus and loved ones who have gone on before. Saints, please pray for me.—Lula Wright.

I'M THROUGH SERVING SATAN

SHEGON, W. Va.—I want to praise the dear Lord thru the Evangel. I praise Him for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the great Holy Ghost. I praise Him for His great cleansing power. I was a great tobacco user, was using about three packages a day, which amounted to 30c a day, one year's time amounting to \$109.50. I am going to give God all the rest of my life. I am twenty-five years of age and have started out for the Lord, for the Bible says, "Remember thy creator in the days of thy youth." I received the Holy Ghost in February 1928. Everybody pray for me that I may stand brave and true for Jesus and do the thing He would have me do.—Mr. John L. Marcum.

Not Ashamed of Jesus

BAKEWELL, Tenn.—I praise the dear Lord just now for what He is to me. I am saved, sanctified, also have the Holy Ghost and belong to the Church of God and am not ashamed to testify for Jesus every chance I have. I am the only one of my family that believes in this way, and I want every one who reads this to pray for me that I may stay humble and true until Jesus calls for me, also pray for my family that they may come this way, for it is a glorious way and just suits me. Praise the Lord! I do not get to be with Church of God people now, as I live so far from church and I surely do miss them, but I hope the Lord will provide a way for me, so I can be with Church of God people soon.—Ellen Selvidge.

Preached the Word In Its Fullness

ECHOLS, Ky.—I am praising the Lord for this good way. Today finds me saved, sanctified and the sweet Holy Ghost abides. There are only a few of us here. We haven't had any pastor for three years and the saints have moved to other places. Brother Otis Basden and family were here and preached a few nights. He surely did put the Word out in its fullness. I thank God for a few of that kind. We all enjoyed it. We haven't any building to hold services in, though sometimes we can get the schoolhouse. Pray for me that I may be true till Jesus comes or calls for me.—A. B. Key.

Church of God Is Coming to the Front

CLEVELAND, Va.—I wish to say that the Church of God is coming to the front. By the help of Jesus we are determined to top the mountain in Virginia. The powers of darkness cannot hold a church that is on fire with the Holy Ghost and the devil knows it. We must awake and do our best for this great work of God. We have had a revival at Wilder, Va., and it looked like for months that the devil was determined to dry things up, but God stepped in and he had to flee. Nine souls were saved and seven sanctified and four were filled with the Holy Ghost and fire. Glory to God, I feel the fire now. We have had Brother J. C. Hanks with us and he is certainly a wonderful man of God.—H. O. Kirk, District Overseer, Rt. 2, Cleveland, Va.

A REAL FEAST TO OUR SOULS

EDGEWOOD, Tex.—On April 19th we had a real feast to our souls. Our State Overseer, Brother Williams was with us and delivered a good message. Also other visitors were with us. Brother Williams' text was taken from Revelation 2d chapter. We hope to have him back with us soon. Our pastor was also present.

Be sure to pray a special prayer for the church at Lanes Chapel for the enemy is trying to devour us. I request prayer for my husband that he may receive the Holy Ghost.—Minnie Foreman, Clerk and Treas., Jewel Weeks.

TRUSTING GOD

NORRISTOWN, Pa.—I desire to thank God and testify thru the Evangel of how the Lord healed my body after an illness of about three months. The saints fasted and prayed and I promised God I would write to the paper, which we all love so well.

I praise the Lord also for being saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire, trusting God for both soul and body. I desire the prayers of every saint that I may live humble at His feet. A sister in Christ.—Eva Banks.

Joy, Peace And Happiness In Our Home

NAVARRO, Tex.—I appreciate the opportunity of adding my testimony to the Evangel. I hope that this will be a help to some soul. I read the good testimonies of the saints of God being saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and in the Church of God.

I just praise the Lord for His wonderful plan of salvation. When I was twelve years of age the Lord convicted me of my sins in Wainwright, Oklahoma. The night I found my way to the altar it seemed as if my heart would break, yet the devil told me that there was nothing to being saved, and that nobody could live without sinning. I began to pray and agonize with God to lift the burden off my heart and save my lost soul. After praying to God, it seemed as if a bright light shone down into my soul. O the glory that rolled in my soul! In a short time we moved to Cromwell, Okla. where I found no saints of God to pray for me or teach me that Jesus died and shed His precious blood to sanctify us. Day after day I prayed to God to give me the Holy Ghost, as I did not know anything about sanctification. One day when I was out praying for the Holy Ghost, a great joy and peace flooded my soul. I felt so light that I could have gone on to Heaven then. I thought that I had received the Holy Ghost, though I knew that I had not spoken in tongues. I knew that I had taken a step closer to God, but I did not know what to call it, as I hadn't heard sanctification preached. Soon this joy didn't satisfy my soul and I began to agonize with God for more of His precious love. I fasted two days without taking any water or food at all. The second day of fasting I received the precious Holy Ghost and the evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Acts 2:4.

I trusted the Lord for both soul and body for about two years and then disobeyed God and the devil sapped my joy. The dear Lord showed me in dreams that I was going back into the world. Before I backslid the Lord showed me that I was a very little girl, about a foot high. I looked back and saw a great storm coming, and behold, to my surprise when I looked ahead I saw a big white stone building just ahead of me. I ran to the building and just as I got inside the door, the black rolling clouds covered the building. The wind began to blow, but I felt secure in the building. It seemed as if my friend was with me and she asked "Aren't you afraid of this storm?" I said, "No, God will take care of me." In many other ways the Lord showed me that the devil was going to have charge of my soul. I was backslid about a year when Sister Wilson came to Corsicana, Tex. (where I now live) to preach the four-square Gospel. I thank God for this precious child of God. She believes in preaching the Word clean and straight. She does not compromise with the devil one bit. I love her because she was the cause of me being reclaimed. She taught me that I must be sanctified. I went to the camp-meeting last August. O how I enjoyed the Lord's blessings up there. He wonderfully sanctified me. The glory and peace rolled over my soul, then one evening the Lord baptized me with the Holy Ghost in a grove meeting. I joined the Great Church of God and I love Her government more every day. I would rather go through this world with my right arm off than to go through the world without the Church of God. My mother and dad are members of the dear old Church of God. Since Jesus came into our home, there has been peace, joy and happiness. Pray that we may get God's will. Your sister in Christ Jesus. (Miss) Mable Barr.

JESUS OUR PATTERN

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done, not ours. He says after this manner pray, "Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven." "In earth" means that His will be done in this temple of clay or body of ours. Jesus went out into the mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God. In another place we find where Jesus prayed earnestly and His sweat was as it were great drops of blood, falling down to the ground. So when we get to earnestly agonizing with God, something will be done. Isaiah says, "When Zion travaileth she bringeth forth her children." So we, as members of Zion (The Church of God) when we begin to earnestly pray and call upon God, people find their way to God. Prayer changes things.

Jesus set us an example concerning baptism. "Then cometh Jesus from Galilee, to Jordan unto John to be baptized of him. But John forbade Him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now; for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness. Then he suffered him and Jesus, when He was baptized went up straightway out of the water; and lo, the Heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him; and lo a voice from Heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased. Surely if it pleased God for Jesus to be baptized, surely we should follow His example. When we are baptized, if we are sincere, it is a sign that we have repented and separated ourselves from the world and are going to live a godly life. We should live accordingly.

Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper. We should follow in this. Jesus took bread and blessed it and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take eat; this is my body." And he took the cup and gave thanks and gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of it; for this is my blood of the New Testament which is shed for many for the remission of sins." Jesus said, "Do this in remembrance of me." So it comes right on down the line to us. Jesus left us an example of feet washing. He arose from the supper and laid aside His garments; and took a towel and girded Himself. He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel wherewith He was girded. Peter, at first, refused to let Jesus wash His feet. He told Peter, "If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me." So this will be the destiny of the ones who fail to obey and reject Christ's teachings. So Peter got willing to obey the Lord and said, "Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head." Jesus said, "If I then, your Lord and Master have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. So this includes us today.

Jesus, when he was reviled, reviled not again. When He suffered, He threatened not; but committed Himself to Him that judgeth righteously. When they crucified Jesus, He said, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do." So we should possess this same loving, gentle forgiving spirit that Jesus did. Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus, who being in the form of God thought it not robbery to be equal with God. For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich. Therefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him. Seeing He ever liveth to make intercessions for them. Jesus is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother. Jesus came into this world to seek and save that which was lost. Jesus is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy to the only wise God our Savior be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and forever.

So to be obedient we must follow the one pattern—Jesus, who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth. We won't go through the purifying process until Jesus can see His image in us, so that when He shall appear we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. If we expect to be ready to go when He comes or calls, we must trim our lives down to match the pattern. John said, "And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself even as he is pure."

This hope is Christ, the hope of glory. We should pattern our lives after Jesus, be perfect as He is perfect, so we can say, "Even so come Lord Jesus." Amen.

MANHATTAN, Fla.—I want to praise the Lord for His wonderful healing power. I praise Him for healing my body. The enemy afflicted me with boils. There were about fifty on my body and the Lord healed them. When I was suffering so much I could only think of Brother Job, "Though he slay me, yet will I trust him." I praise Him for healing my head also. I find in Him all I need. Praise His name! Please pray for me that I will be found doing the thing that pleases the Lord. A sister in Christ.—Mae L. Spring.

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OBITUARIES

ASPINWALL

On Jan. 7, 1928 the death angel visited the home of W. H. Aspinwall and claimed for its victim his loving wife and mother. She was apparently in the best of health and had gone to the next door neighbor's to sit until bed-time. She had been there only a short time when God suddenly called her home. A few days before she died she attended the prayer meeting at Odum, Ga., where she was a member. She testified that if she held out faithful a few more days in this world of sorrow and trouble, God would call her home to the glory world.

She was loved by all who knew her and is missed in the Church of God where she was a member, but is missed more in her home, though we would not call her back if we could because we know we can meet her on that golden shore if we live right here and do our best for our Savior. That is our aim, God being our helper.

She leaves to mourn her loss a husband, three sons, several grandchildren two brothers, two sisters, many nieces and nephews and a host of friends. She was sixty-four years of age and has been a resident of Odum for seventeen years. Funeral services were conducted by Brother W. Murray and she was laid to rest in the Odum Cemetery where she will await the resurrection morn.

A loving one from us has gone, A voice we loved is stilled; A place is vacant in our midst Which never can be filled.

She's waiting for us in Heaven I know, And calling for us to come; How sweet it will be when called to go And live with her and Jesus. Minnie Harding, Mulga, Ala.

ROBERTSON

This county was stricken with grief when our Brother Orvil Robertson departed this life to be with Jesus, Jan. 17, 1928, at his daughter's home, Mrs. Nickles. He was seventy-one years old and leaves to mourn his absence a wife, two daughters, five sons, nine grandchildren and a host of friends. He was a member of the Baptist Church and lived a good, humble life. All was done for him that loving hands could do.

We hated to give him up, but the Lord knew best. We know Grandpa went to be with Jesus for he asked his children to meet him there. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him, but our loss is Heaven's gain. His remains were laid to rest in the Vandale Cemetery to await the glorious resurrection when the redeemed will be gathered in.

You left us, precious Grandpa, For the land of joy and peace, But we know that we will meet you, When the trials of life shall cease.

Over in the golden city, When the trials of life shall cease, Singing around the great white throne, And we long to join the chorus When we lay our armour down.

Sleep on precious one, we expect to meet you some sweet day where we will part no more. All friends and brethren join in sorrow and sympathy with the bereaved.—A friend, (Miss) Elzie Woolbright.

SYLVESTER

This community was shocked at the sudden death of our dear Brother Lewis Sylvester on the night of Feb. 10th. He was awakened by a smothering caused from heart trouble. His death was not altogether unexpected though he had plowed all day and ate a hearty supper. There is a sweet thought of consolation that remains in our minds and that is, he said just a few days before he passed away, that there wasn't anything between him and his Father above.

Brother Sylvester was born Feb. 1871 and was fifty-seven years old. He was a member of the Church of God at this place, and has been ever since the church was set in order here. The church and entire community mourn the loss of this dear brother and friend, but we know that our loss is Heaven's gain. Tho we sorrow, we hope to meet him again on the celestial shore where there will be no more sad partings.

Brother Sylvester was a devoted husband and father and he leaves to mourn his loss a wife, two little children, other relatives and a host of friends.

Farewell dear brother, we know you have gone from here But we are coming by and by and expect to see you there.

We will miss you here, that surely you know,

But when the bells of Heaven ring, we know it's time to go.

God calls us home at the time He thinks best.

And we know that when that call comes, it means eternal rest.

So now we will go, and bid you farewell;

We will be there some day with you and Jesus to dwell.

D. A. Sanders, Isola, Miss., R. 1 Bx. 42.

SHANNON

The death angel visited the home of Brother Jas. S. Shannon on Feb. 5, 1928 at Daisy, Tenn. and claimed him as its victim. He was sixty-four years, ten months and twenty-one days old. He leaves to mourn his death a wife, two boys, two girls and a host of friends. He was loved by all who knew him. He was not a member of the Church of God, but loved Her teachings. Sister Shannon is a faithful member. The funeral service was conducted by Brother J. W. Nelson and the writer.—W. A. Walker, pastor.

TOW

The death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Mart and Sallie Tow and took their dear son, Jessie. He was working on the highway, spreading gravel and started to jump on a dump car and missed it and the car ran over him. This was May 3d, about 9:30 o'clock. He was placed in a car and they started with him to the hospital and he died before they got there. He only lived one hour and a half.

Before he died he looked into his father's face and said, "Pa, I am all right," then laid over on his brother's arm and was gone. He only frowned one time. He acted just like he was asleep. He was nineteen years, two months and one day old. He leaves to mourn his death, father, mother, two brothers, two sisters and a host of relatives and friends. The funeral was conducted by Brother M. F. Phillips, our pastor, and Brother S. D. Stover. His body was laid in Zion cemetery to await the coming of Christ.

Oh, he is gone, and how we miss him In the lonely homestead place; But when we get up yonder, We can meet him face to face.

And up in that golden city, When all toils and pains are o'er, We can join in the chorus,

We have all got home once more. His sister-in-law, Rosa Tow, Suches, Ga.

WHITEHEAD

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THE GOOD WORK MOVES ON

HONOR ROLL

Below are the names of the churches and pastors that appear on the honor roll this week. The reason we place the names of the pastors on the honor roll is that they help the Church get up its quota by keeping it before them. When the pastor sits down usually the church sits down. The pastors on this honor roll have doubtless tried different plans. If one didn't work they tried another. Anyway they are on the honor roll this week. We are expecting to hear from others at an early date.

We shall never, never scold,
But we want your name on the honor roll;
Place it there before this gets old,
Send a little silver, greenback or gold.

Wimauma, Fla. J. B. Ellis
Afton, Tenn. No pastor
Savannah Branch, Onville, La.,
..... Wilson Sharp
Cortez, Fla. J. I. Baladre
Rocky Hill, Miss. Grady May
Haylow, Ga. No pastor
Lancaster, O. R. E. Hamilton
Boswell, Pa. H. W. Poteat
Louise, Miss., cared for by Mary Tidwell
Spring Hope, N. C. E. D. Jones
Swilley Hill, Ga. Arch Williams

DIVINE HEALING

GIDEON, Mo.—I want to praise God for our blessed Savior who redeemed us from sin, sanctified and baptized us with the precious Holy Ghost. I am thankful too for His wonderful healing power. I have been very sick for about six weeks. Prayer was offered for me, and I would get better, then I was very sick, the death angel came and claimed my husband and took him away. I sent a handkerchief to Brother Rouse to be anointed and prayed over. I promised the Lord if He would heal me I would testify thru the Evangel. I neglected to do so, and got worse. Sister Webster came and prayed for me, and praise the Lord he healed me. I ask all who read this to pray for my children that they may be saved and receive the Holy Ghost.—Your sister in Christ, Martha J. Teel.

LAKE LAND, Fla.—I promised the Lord if He would heal me of a very severe pain in my side, that I would testify of it thru the Evangel. I certainly thank Him for healing me almost instantly, and ask the saints everywhere to pray for the Lord to heal me of every chronic affection.—E. Hodges.

LENOIR, N. C.—There is no church at this place, and no Church of God people except me, and we have prayer meeting at our home every Thursday night. Our children have all had measles since we came here, but we trusted the dear Lord and He healed them. Praise His name! I am glad He can heal in Lenoir as well as in Cleveland, Tenn. Pray for us.—Mrs. W. J. Pritchard.

TUSCALOOSA, Ala.—I want to sound a note of praise to my Redeemer for healing me of a severe cold. I was saved, and sanctified at the As-

sembly last year, and I desire the earnest prayers of all who read this, that I may soon get the blessing. Pray for me.—Mrs. Paul Kubitzky.

CARYVILLE, Fla.—I just want to tell what the Lord has done for me. I promised Him I would do anything He wanted me to do if He would save my soul and heal my body, and I know this morning finds me enjoying salvation, for which I give God all the glory. I was saved in Ft. Myers, Fla. in a revival that Brother Stephen was conducting. At the time I was saved, one of my daughters was very sick. The doctor said she would have to have an operation. I asked the saints to pray for her, also I sent a request to Brother Rouse to pray for her healing, and praise God, she is healed and is trusting God with her body. Well glory to the Lamb that taketh away the sins of the world. He is so precious to me. Pray for me.—A sister in Christ Jesus.—A. Ellis.

SALEM, Ky.—As I am one of the family, and love to get the paper so well and read the testimonies and good sermons which it brings each week, it does my soul good, and I want to praise God tonight for being saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. I want to praise Him for His power to heal. He has healed me also my family many times. I saw in the Evangel where that Brother L. G. Rouse had the gift of healing and in July 1925 I was taken with a severe pain in my back. My daughter sent a handkerchief to Brother Rouse and when it returned we laid it on my body in Jesus' name, and I was healed. The first case of healing the Lord did in my family was in 1923—my baby girl was afflicted with lung trouble, heart trouble and asthma. The doctor said it was a matter of time and she would pass away, so I just gave her up to the Lord and said, "Thy will be done." I had the saints to pray for her and the Lord healed her. She is now the picture of health. Later on, my husband was afflicted with stomach trouble. I wrote to Brother Rouse to pray for him, and he sent him an anointed handkerchief and he was completely healed, after suffering for eight years. I began to tell others about what the Lord had done for us thru Brother Rouse's prayers, and several asked me to write for them, and they have been healed. One man who had tried four doctors and was not any better, was healed. He said he wanted the world to know that the Lord healed him thru Brother Rouse's prayers, and there are others I could mention, but I have not space. Pray for this place, that God's children may come together and be as one. The people are starving for the Gospel at this place, we want a pastor.—Lucy Brown.

QUINTON, Ala.—My husband has been sick for some time, he had T. B., but praise the Lord he is healed now. We thank the saints for their faithfulness in praying for him. The Lord has also healed my boy, for which I give Him all the praise. I am determined to go all the way with Jesus, no matter what comes and goes. I want to work for my blessed Savior, and keep pressing on.—Edna Tuck, Rt. 3.

ANDERSON, S. C.—I want to praise the Lord this morning for being saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, also for the healing power thru the blood of Jesus. I was called to pray for Brother Freeman, who had the flu. He was real sick and the Lord healed him. Then, there was a little child just across the street who was real low with pneumonia, and the Lord wonderfully healed her. When we left there Brother Freeman was sitting up, and said that he felt the best that he had in a long time, for which we give God all the praise. The Bible said that these signs should follow them that believe. Before I got salvation, I was shot thru the liver, and the doctors said that my liver would never act any more unless I would take some kind of liver pills, but I thank the Lord that about three years ago I got a pill from the Son of God and He healed my liver, and now it acts as good as anyone's. I haven't taken anything since. My weight was about 135 lbs. then, but now I weigh about 145 lbs., so you see it pays to trust the Lord with your body. Pray for me.—Odus Smith, Box 110 Collatt St.

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again in the Spring. It has broken out again with little blisters, and being so afraid his whole mouth would get sore again, I put the handkerchief on him last night and prayed, and this morning they were nearly all gone. I certainly thank the Lord for healing him and ask you all to pray for me to be completely healed of some kind of nervous spells, also pray for me to be saved.—Mrs. Carrie Felty.

Brother F. J. Lee:—

I received the handkerchief I sent for the little child that was crippled. And Praise the Lord in a little while the swelling was gone and the next morning he could walk.—Mrs. W. Miller.

LECKIE, W. Va.—I praise the Lord for His marvelous works. Some months ago some slate fell on me and I had a complete fracture of my thigh. They sent me to the hospital and put a cast on me. I did not suffer with my thigh at all, but I did suffer very badly with indigestion, for about three weeks, until one night, I gave the case over to the Lord, and it was "that night" that the Lord healed me. The Lord healed me also of rheumatism. I promised the Lord that I would testify thru the columns of the Evangel for this wonderful act, so I can say, like David, I will pay thee my vows, which my lips have uttered and my mouth hath spoken when I was in trouble. Psa. 66:13, 14. I feel His presence right now. Pray for me.—J. R. Brown.

DOUBLE SPRINGS, Ala.—I am afflicted with lung trouble and can hardly go at times. The Lord has healed me of goitre, and I know He is able to heal us of all diseases. Pray that I may receive the Holy Ghost and that I may be healed. I know the Lord can heal. He healed my little boy three different times. The other night he was just coughing very badly and I read in the Evangel where some had been healed by laying on the Evangel in Jesus' name, so I did likewise, and he was healed instantly. My husband's grandmother was very low, the doctor said he nor no one else could cure her so we sent a handkerchief to Brother L. G. Rouse and when she got so low she would not take their medicine, we all prayed for her and she was healed. He can work and none can hinder. Pray for me.—Alma Kelly.

ANNISTON, Ala.—I promised the Lord if He would heal my little girl when she was real sick that I would testify to it thru the Evangel. He healed her at once. Bless His name! She has been sick again since that time and the Lord healed her again. I had an awful pain in my side last week and the Lord healed me of that. Glory to God! How I thank Him for His mighty power. I am a widow with six children, but I'm looking to God from whence cometh all my help. Everyone who reads this please pray for my unsaved children.—Mrs. W. M. Fuller.

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HOME COMING DAY SUCCESS

NEWBURN, Tenn.—Our Home Coming Day at Graves Chapel was a real success, and seemed to be greatly enjoyed by all. The welcome address was given by G. W. Ragin, and a soul-stirring sermon delivered by Brother P. F. Graves, pastor. It closed with singing and shouting. We intend to have feet washing and observe the Lord's Supper the 20th of May. Everyone is invited. Pray much for our success at Graves Chapel.—G. W. Ragin, clerk.

God's Grace Sufficient To Carry Us Thru

CINCINNATI, O.—I am thanking and praising God this afternoon for the privilege of writing a few lines to the dear old Evangel, the paper we all love so well.

I am glad because I still have victory in my soul. I praise the Lord for saving my soul from sin and giving me the sweet Holy Ghost. I am not discouraged at all although the devil has been trying his best for the last week or two, to pull me down, but I know that God's grace is sufficient to help me thru.

I can't fail to mention something about the Bible School. I thank and praise the Lord for the privilege of being in Bible School last term. I am sure that I can be safe in saying that some of the happiest days of my life were spent in Bible School. As I think back over the happy days spent in school, and the good fellowship of our teachers and students and the good people of Cleveland, it makes my heart sad, and makes tears run from my eyes when I think of the many times that God came down and blessed our souls. Time after time when we would meet in the school room in the morning and have prayer, the good power that comes from the Father above, would fall on us and what a time we would have, and listen friends, our teachers wouldn't call us down for shouting and praising the Lord for "they took just as big a part as any of the rest." Some people may think that I am crazy for saying so much about the Bible School, but I can't help it because I love the school, and if it is God's will, the people of Cleveland will have to put up with me next term for I am coming if it is the Lord's will. Dear students of the Bible School I would be glad to see a letter in the Evangel from each of you. Pray for me.—Haskell Williams.

shown to His people. He has promised that He would be a very present help in time of trouble. I love to call on Him when I am not in trouble, then when I do get into trouble, I do not mind calling on Him then. For three or four nights I would have to walk the floor, because of the pains, but the Lord has wonderfully healed me.—Bless His name forever.—W. Robert S. Lyons.

McVEIGH, Ky.—I want to thank the dear Lord for His power to heal. I had been unconscious for five days and it looked like I was past all earthly assistance, but bless His dear name, He saw fit to raise me up, for which I give Him all the praise. O, it is just wonderful to trust the Lord. He will really send His power and bless His children if we will let Him have His way with us, and stay in the center of His will. Please pray that my husband may receive this wonderful blessing, and that my little daughter may be completely healed.—Mrs. Margaret McCarty, Box 57.

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